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ST. JOHN STAR.

ST. JOHN, N. B., APRIL 20, 1907.

ONE ANOTHER'S BURDENS.

A few days ago, in consequence of reports on the serious conditions existing in the west because of traffic congestion, the railway commission requested the C. P. R. and Grand Trunk to assist the Canadian Northern by the loan of locomotives and cars. These two roads have no far shown an inclination to disregard this request, and the position taken by them can certainly be supported by sound arguments. They maintain that the Canadian Northern has wittily and knowingly bitten off more than it can chew. Instead of spending time and money in improving its roadbed and acquiring additional rolling stock, the Mackenzie and Mann corporation has gone ahead with new lines, building extensions and seeking business which the management knew perfectly well could not be handled. The result has been natural enough. There is a congestion such as causes most serious inconvenience and it will be some time before the road can be cleared. The other competing companies have endeavored to keep their equipment up to a standard which will facilitate the handling of business over all their mileage. They have met, with difficulties during the winter, chiefly from unfavorable weather, but are able to put through the greater part of the freight without much delay. It is rather unfair that they should be now asked to encourage a competitor in catching up. Mackenzie and Mann followed a somewhat unwise course, and the lesson now being learned should produce a beneficial result. There is not a railroad in Canada which is properly equipped for handling even the ordinary traffic, and the great aim of all roads should be to acquire rolling stock before extending their rails into new districts.

In connection with this railroad congestion it is regrettable that those who some time ago interested themselves in the establishment of a car building plant in St. John have evidently dropped the idea. There are no doubt many difficulties but these could surely be overcome, and when there is such an urgent demand for cars that orders are placed for years ahead, it would seem that there can be no lack of business for any plant that might be established here. St. John is splendidly situated, and there is enough money lying idle in the banks to start half a dozen such factories as was talked of. The project should be revived, and active steps taken to bring about some material result. It is stated that the great obstacle is the want of a head to the concern. There must be a man somewhere who could do the work.

GOOD-BYE.

On board the Empress of Britain sailing from St. John yesterday were a number of people to whom Canada is pleased to bid a long farewell. On every steamer bound for Liverpool there are many who have found that this country is not suited to their peculiar requirements, that they are unable to adjust themselves to the conditions existing here, and that they acted somewhat unwisely in leaving the old country. At times they prefer to state that they were deceived, brought out under false promises, and led to expect more than was actually forthcoming. A good many of these English immigrants have the idea that brass bands should be stationed on the pier to blaze out a welcome, that the leading business men of the place ought to stand in line like so many cabmen, bidding for their services. They are informed that land will be granted by the government upon application, but on going to the west they are astonished to find that houses have not been built for their reception and that live stock and farming implements are not on hand. These are the people who by each steamer wend their way back to England, disgruntled, and dissatisfied with Canada and everything Canadian. They are the ones we can well afford to lose. But there are many others who are of a different type, and who on reaching this new country determinedly set about the task of creating homes for themselves. They are welcome, but for the others, to them, greatest view in America is recommended, namely St. John from the stern of a steamer.

Some newspapers are in a great hurry about the as yet unannounced election in St. John. There is really nothing to worry about. The Liberal convention may safely be trusted to act wisely and in the interests of the province. The candidate selected will be the best man available and the convention cannot be captured by any little chit, such as is now trying to pull the wires.

The contagion spreads. The legislature of Pennsylvania with perfect and

precipitate unanimity has passed a bill doubling the pay of the members. It will hereafter be \$1,500 a year.

The prediction has now been made that the Ontario peach crop will be a failure. Will some one please rise to remark that this season's lumber cut on the St. John is a record-breaker, but that the logs will all be hung up.

IT NEVER RAINS BUT IT POURS.

As we waddle through life, every day of the strife,
Is dappled with sorrow or joy;
We weep or we laugh, we growl or we chat,
It's a girl when we wanted a boy.
In the world that is all out of doors;
Whether plowing or haying, there's truth in the saying:
It never rains but it pours.

If you get into trouble, it's bound to come double,
For trouble runs always in pairs;
For your heel will be covered with sores;
You will certainly tumble down stairs;
If you stub your great toe, look out for more woe,
For your heel will be covered with sores;
Depend upon this, be it a blow or a kiss,
That it never rains but it pours.

When nature would make for her own wish and sake
A lovely, beautiful girl,
She takes lovely measures, she searches her treasures,
For a curve, a color, a curl.
For better, for worse, she opens her purse,
To fortune she opens all doors;
She does all her duty—the result is a beauty,
For it never rains but it pours.

But when she doth plant a woman or man
That would stop the proverbial clock,
She gets her material from a place non-etherial,
And the universe gets a rude shock.
To compare is injurious, but the lady is hideous.
And the gentleman certainly scores;
If a mirror is handy he will see he's a dandy,
For it never rains but it pours.

My friend, and my pet, just take what you get,
And give thanks to the Lord it's no worse;
If your mug is all muggy, be you lovely or ugly,
Be sure that you never asperse.
The Hand that fished you, the Hand that christened you,
It's the Hand that opens the doors;
Silk cushions or bumps, the measles or mumps—
It never rains but it pours!

MEAT AND DRINK TO HIM.

(April Lippincott's.)
Professor William Lyon Phelps, of Yale, recently told this story at New Haven's Chamber of Commerce banquet. A hard drinker was told by his doctor that he could be cured if every time he felt that he must have a drink he would immediately take something to eat instead.

The man followed the advice and was cured, but the habit of asking for food had become so fixed with him that once he was nearly locked up as a lunatic. He was stopping at a hotel, and hearing a great commotion in the room next to his, he peered over the transom to see what the matter was. He saw, and rushed madly down to the office and asked the clerk: "The man in 113 has shot himself! Ham and egg sandwich, please!"

HIS OWN BUSINESS.

(April Lippincott's.)
Cittman—"Look here, sir, didn't you want the horse you sold me yesterday to be without fault?"
David Harum—"Yes, ain't he?"
Cittman—"No, sir, he is not; he interferes."

David Harum—"Wal, I don't see as you hev any reason fur complainin' about that. He don't interfere with anybody but himself, does he?"

QUITE A LUXURY.

(April Lippincott's.)
Lady—"How much do you charge for dachshunds?"
Dog Fancier—"Five hundred dollars a yard, mum."

(April Lippincott's.)
"Uncle Dick, how many toddlers does the colonel drink every day?"
"Well, yo' see, boss, I eat de sugar de kumel leaves in de glass, an' 'long erbout de middle of de evening I gets fuddled an' loses count."

OTTAWA IS PLANNING FOR AN OLD HOME WEEK.

NEW YORK, April 19.—Natives of Ottawa, Canada, all over the country, are receiving letters from the committee who has in charge an Old Boys' and Girls' re-union in the Dominion City next July. Following the idea of the New England Old Home Week, this committee is making an effort to gather home all the sons and daughters of Ottawa who have wandered to other places. This re-union will be a great feature of the semi-centennial civil jubilee.

JERSEY CITY, April 20.—Oscar Kaur, 15 years old, shot and killed himself near his home in Guttenburg last evening. The boy was a member of the graduating class of the Guttenburg grammar school and yesterday was reprimanded by his teacher and afterwards expelled from the school by his teacher. He and the treasurer of his class made an account to his class mates, and after telling some of them that he would never see them again went down the road-way and shot himself. His companions heard the shot and quickly found him as he lay unconscious in the road. He was hurried to a hospital but died soon after reaching there.

SATURDAY SERMONETTE

"A LITTLE LEARNING IS A DANGEROUS THING."
I believed that musty proverb once but experience has taught me that a little learning is as harmless as a Dominion Day firecracker. Much learning is gun cotton, dynamite and chain lightning.

The man with a little learning will walk without an extra heart beat where Angels fear to tread and he gets there while the Angel who is afraid stays at home.

The man with a little learning is elected alderman or is a preacher or edits a paper. He blunders in his history, gets muddled in his dates and murders the King's English, but he never sees the corpse and never dreams that "some one has blundered."

The man with much learning rarely gets elected to any office, seldom edits a paper or preaches; but when he does his nervousness, self-consciousness and fear of failure brings on heart disease, and he is always worrying about the good things he might have said after he goes home.

The man who has studied geology, physiology, psychology and all the other sciences walks in fear and trembling. There is nothing sure and steadfast. The earth is not firm for it quakes and shakes down his houses and turns his real estate upside down as quickly and surely as the real estate agent does.

The heavens above him are not to be trusted. A meteor or wandering star may collide with this planet some morning, his astronomy tells him, and then good-bye.

He cannot eat his dinner in peace; for his much learning tells him there are microbes and bacteria in every dish on the table. The man with a little learning knows nothing of microbes and if he were to meet one would not scare a bit.

The man who has got his "much learning" out of advertising almanacs is afraid to eat and sleep and run and walk for fear his "harp of a thousand strings" will get out of tune. He reads about that "tired feeling" and he is told it means heart disease, cancer, tuberculosis and other things and dies from almanac suggestions.

The man who cannot read when he has tried feeling knows that it is laziness (or his wife does) and then the heroic treatment is used, and he recovers and lives happily ever after, builds a fine and holds the baby, as usual.

The man with much learning courts a girl in a courtly way but while he is writing and memorizing a proposal he rival with a little learning courts her more ardently, proposes in the wretchedest kind of grammar, is accepted and lives unhappily ever after.

If you want to have a good time keep as far away from learning as you can; ignorance is the mother, grandmother and mother-in-law of peace and quietness.

See how peaceful and quiet it is in the council chamber.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

At Residence By Auction.
I am instructed by Rev. W. H. Pritchard to sell by auction at his residence, No. 158 Paradise Row, Wednesday, April 24th, at 1 o'clock a. m., the following household goods: Oak Study Table, Oak and Cherry Bedroom Sets, Mattresses, Springs, Hull Rack, Parlor Tables, Chairs, Divan, Oak Dining Table, do Sideboard, Sofas, Carpets, eight doors, range and other household goods.

T. T. LANTALUM, Auctioneer.
Office: Chubb's Corner, Phone, 769.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.

Sealed tenders, addressed to the undersigned, and marked on the outside "Tender for Double-Tracking" will be received up to and including FRIDAY, MAY 10th, 1907, for the work in connection with the double-tracking of the existing main line between Moncton and Paines Junction, N. B.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the chief engineer, Moncton, N. B., where forms of tender may be obtained.
All the conditions of the specification must be complied with.
D. POTTINGER, General Manager.
Railway Office, Moncton, N. B., 18th April, 1907. 20-4-16

BIG INCREASE SHOWN IN AMERICAN EXPORTS

Total for Last Quarter Was \$617,900, or Nearly \$200,000 More Than for the Same Period Last Year

The following is a statement of the declared exports to the United States through the American Consulate, for the quarter ending March 31st:
Bullion (gold) \$37,315.00.
Cattle, \$1,150.00.
Cattle, \$384.00.
Emigrants' effects, \$3,619.50.
Fertilizer, \$9,065.00.
Grass seed, \$300.50.
Biotar, \$175.00.
Canned clams, \$289.00.
Codfish, \$1,033.00.
Hake, \$1,652.50.
Pickled alewives, \$1,632.50.
Pollock, \$477.00.
Fish hooks, \$1,307.68.
Fish waste, \$464.05.
Furs (raw), \$3,437.20.
Gin, \$476.50.
Grass seed, \$480.05.
Gum Chicle, \$28,023.50.
Hair for plastering \$270.00.
Hides, \$45,350.50.
Junk, \$13,955.65.
Laths, \$113,084.21.
Lime, \$2,970.95.
Lumber, \$52,451.23.
Molasses, \$2,655.50.
N. B. Tourist Association, literature, \$40.00.
Postage stamps, \$302.50.
Pulled Wool, \$3,944.32.
Refill American goods, \$4,252.29.
Rough Buffing, \$2,237.15.
Ship's knees, \$845.85.
Slated Slats, \$15,755.15.
Shingles, \$6,325.57.
Silverware, \$272.50.
Sloven, \$127.50.
Staves, \$1,423.13.
Tea, \$6,761.65.
Tobacco leaf, \$240.50.
Wood pulp, \$150,458.94.
Clapboards, \$425.75.
Laths, \$14,915.65.
Lumber, \$7,755.19.
Shingles, \$9,494.78.
Grand Total, \$617,900.45.

The total figures of the first quarter in 1907 are far in advance of those of the corresponding months of 1906. The grand total for the first quarter of 1906 was \$433,123.09.

The re-opening of Victoria Roller Rink on Monday evening will surely usher in the merry making season. Manager Armstrong is confident, that at the rate roller skating is being popularized all over America, that his immense floor will be taxed to capacity this spring and summer. Anticipating a rush of this kind, he has enlarged the dressing-room accommodations and has improved his musical organization by the addition of several more soloists. In its new garb of red and green with gold trimmings, and its bazaar-like decorations, the old Vic is handsomer than ever.

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ECONOMY. OUR IDEAL RANGE CONSUMES:
1 Burner 12 ft. per hour, cost 11-2 cts.
2 Burners 24 ft. per hour, cost 3 cts.
3 Burners 36 ft. per hour, cost 4-2 cts.
4 Burners 48 ft. per hour, cost 6 cts.
Oven 24 ft. per hour, cost 3 cts.

Or with all burners and oven lit would cost no more to operate than 10 OPEN FLAME TIPS.
If you doubt any of these facts drop in when you are down town and one of our representatives will demonstrate them to you.
Remember we connect any of our Ranges FREE until May 15th.

The St. John Railway Co., Tel. 323 Main.
19-4-6

Red Rose Flour

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Funeral tomorrow (Sunday) at 2:30 p. m. from the residence of her aunt, Mrs. Peter Dolan, corner Carleton and Dorchester streets. Friends invited to attend.

St. John, N. B., April 17, 1907.

Men's \$2.25 Boots.

Men's Box Calf Blucher Bala. \$2.25
Men's Dongola Kid Blucher Bala. heavy soles, 2.25
Men's Dongola Blucher, Single Sole Bala. 2.25
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